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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Application No. 09/839,536; Filing Date: April 23, 2001  
For: **Trophic Conversion of Obligate Phototrophic Algae Through  
Metabolic Engineering**  
Inventors: APT *et al.*  
Our Ref: 2715.0360001/JUK/SAS/KBK

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Online Credit Card Payment Authorization in the amount of \$130.00 to cover:  
\$130.00 - One (1) month Extension of Time fee;
2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a);
3. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116; and
4. Replacement Sequence Listing.

The above-listed documents are filed electronically through EFS-Web.

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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Scott A. Schaller". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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